

## San Marino, Huntington Library, HM 27486

*Description:* ff. 100 - Bound, s. XVII, in English brown calf sewn on 5 original (?) bands, now drawn into pasteboards; old pastedowns re-used, the one on the back with a note of the price, s. XV, "prec. ii marc."; evidence of 2 fore edge clasps; edges speckled in red. - Written in England in the middle of the fifteenth century, possibly in Yorkshire. C. Plummer, *Venerabilis Baedae Historia Ecclesiastica* (Oxford 1896) 2:118 observed of this manuscript that its "scribe probably had local knowledge," since the name of the village near Catterick where James the Deacon lived, otherwise unnamed, is here specified as "seynt iemestret" (end of Book 2, on f. 14); this detail was also noted by a seventeenth century reader, who has collated the text. On f. 99 a contemporary hand notes a financial transaction: "Solut. Willelmo \_\_cropped\_\_ iii s. i d. Al\_\_cropped\_\_ Waltero xxx \_\_cropped\_\_ et iii d. pro \_\_cropped\_\_." In an eighteenth century hand, Greek letters on pastedown, and "ΑΧΩ" on f. 1. Sold in 1836 by Thomas Thorpe to Sir Thomas Phillipps; Phillipps 9428 and the Phillipps shelfmark in pencil on the front pastedown; the number also in ink on f. i verso. Belonged to George Dunn (1865-1912) of Woolley Hall; his sale, Sotheby's, 11 February 1913, lot 400 to Bertram Dobell (1842-1914). Untraced according to Laistner in 1943. Sale, Sotheby's, 6 July 1964, lot 236 to the Huntington Library. - Schenkl 1814. Römer, i, 338 (erroneously). *Chronica*, 5.

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*Language:* Latin *Country:* England *Century:* 15th

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### Part 1: ff. 1-100v

*Description:* - Parchment - 168 x 237 mm - 1-10<sup>8</sup> 11-12<sup>10</sup>. Catchwords present; quires and leaves signed in letters and arabic numerals. 33-34 long lines frame ruled with brown crayon.

*Country:* England

*Cardinal point:*

*Region:*

*City:*

*Assigned Date:* s. XV<sup>med</sup>

*Searchable Date Range:* 1440 - 1460

*Dated by scribe:* No

*Inscribed Date:*

*Document:* No

*Number of Scribes:* ;

*Script:* Secretary

*Other Decoration:* 2-line blue initials with red flourishing; 1-line initials alternating red and blue. Running headlines; chapters numbered in the margin.

*Notes:* Latin

*Number of Texts:* 6

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### Text 1: ff. 1-46v

*Author:* Bede

*Title:* *Historia ecclesiastica*, abbreviated

*Title:* Incipit liber quem composuit sanctus et venerabilis Beda presbiter de gestis Anglorum

*Language(s):* Latin

*Incipit:* Anno ab incarnatione domini centesimo quinquagesimo sexto

*Explicit:* ut apud omnes fructum pie intercessionis inveniam. Amen. Explicit liber quem composuit Beda de Gestis Anglorum.

*Notes:* An epitome of the *Historia ecclesiastica*; for the full text, see B. Colgrave and R. A. B. Mynors, eds., *Bede's Ecclesiastical History of the English People* (Oxford 1969); this manuscript discussed on p. lv. See also M. L. W. Laistner, *A Hand-list of Bede Manuscripts* (Ithaca 1943) 70 and 103. The text is preceded by a prologue, *De prima christianitate missa in Anglia ab eleutherio papa . . . de sancto Petro abbate eiusdem monasterii primo*.

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### Text 2: ff. 46v-47v

*Title:* *Epistola Cuthberti de obitu Bedae*

*Title:* *Quedam epistola de transitu Venerabilis Bede presbiteri*

*Language(s):* Latin

*Incipit:* Dilectissimo in christo lectori Cutwino Cuthbertus condiscipulus in deo salutem eternam. Manusculum quod misisti

*Explicit:* sed brevitatem sermonis ineruditio lingue facit. Explicit.

*Notes:* CPL 1383. BHL 1068. PL 90:63-66.

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### Text 3: ff. 47v-54v; f. 55r-v blank

*Author:* Sophronius?

*Title:* Incipit vita sancte Marie egipciace *Life of St. Mary Aegyptiaca*

*Language(s):* Latin

*Incipit:* Secretum Regis celare bonum est

*Explicit:* et adorando spiritu et nunc et semper et in secula seculorum. Amen. Explicit.

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### Text 4: ff. 56-90

*Author:* Bede

*Title:* Epistola ad Notelinum

*Title:* Incipit epistola Bede ad Notelinum de templo Salomonis

*Language(s):* Latin

*Incipit:* Hortatur nos vas electionis et magister gencium . . . Domus dei quam edificavit Rex Salomonis

*Explicit:* ac diligentes quos dominus benedicit pusillos cum maioribus. Explicit expositio venerabilis Bede presbiteri de templo Salomonis.

*Notes:* CPL 1348. PL 91:735-808. Laistner, 78.

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**Text 5:** ff. 91-93v

*Author:* Bede

*Title:* Epistola ad Pleguinam

*Title:* Incipit epistola venerabilis Bede presbiteri de sex etatibus seculi

*Language(s):* Latin

*Incipit:* Fratri dilectissimo et in christi visceribus honorando plegwino Beda in domino salutem. Venit ad me

*Explicit:* deus omnipotens fraternitatem tuam sospitem conservare dignetur. Explicit epistola venerabilis Bede presbiteri ad flegwinum de sex etatibus seculi.

*Notes:* C. W. Jones, ed., *Bedae Opera de temporibus* (Cambridge 1943) 304-15, and *Bedae Venerabilis Opera*. CC 123c (Turnholt 1980) 615-26, mentioning this manuscript. Laistner, 120, listing 4 other manuscripts.

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**Text 6:** ff. 93v-99; ff. 99v-100v blank

*Author:* Bede

*Title:* In Cantica canticorum libri VII

*Title:* Incipit liber Bede contra iulianum divine gratie repugnatorem

*Language(s):* Latin

*Incipit:* Scripturus dei iuvante gratia in cantica canticorum primo ammonens putavi lectorem

*Explicit:* dico in india iudea et egipto geruntur non nisi per eorum qui hiis interfuere scripta nosce [sic] valemus. Explicit.

*Notes:* CPL 1353. PL 91:1065-1077, part of Book I only. Laistner, 70.

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